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H. RES. 1238

Congratulating the University of California, Los Angeles, men's basketball team for its National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament performance.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 4, 2008

Ms. RICHARDSON submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

RESOLUTION

Congratulating the University of California, Los Angeles, men's basketball team for its National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament performance.

Whereas on April 5, 2008, the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) men's basketball team played in the Final Four of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) men's basketball tournament for the 18th time, more than any other school in history;

Whereas the 10 outstanding campuses and over 191,000 students in the University of California system are proud of UCLA's success and achievement;

Whereas UCLA appeared in its 3rd straight Final Four, the first school to do so since Michigan State University in 1999, 2000, and 2001;

Whereas UCLA teams have won 15 NCAA national championships during the tenure of Daniel G. Guerrero, the current Director of Athletics at UCLA;

Whereas Josh Shipp, Luc Richard Mbah a Moute, Kevin Love, Russell Westbrook, Darren Collison, Mustafa Abdul-Hamid, Alfred Aboya, James Keefe, Lorenzo Mata-Real, Chance Stanback, Nikola Dragovic, Michael Roll, Joey Ellis, and Matt Lee showed true dedication to their sport and played a magnificent season;

Whereas Ben Howland is the first UCLA coach since John Wooden to lead UCLA to 3 straight Final Fours;

Whereas Ben Howland is one of just 3 coaches in college basketball history to record 30 or more victories in 3 consecutive seasons;

Whereas UCLA's 35 victories this season are a school record;

Whereas Ben Howland is just the third coach in college basketball to take his team to 3 straight Final Fours since the bracket expanded to 64 teams in 1985; and

Whereas UCLA's strong athletic tradition is only matched by its excellent academic achievements, which include 5 faculty and 4 student Nobel Prize winners, 9 National Medal of Science winners, and 11 Fulbright American Scholars since the year 2000: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) congratulates and commends the University
- 3 of California, Los Angeles, men's basketball team
- 4 for playing in the Final Four of the National Colle-
- 5 giate Athletic Association (NCAA) men's basketball
- 6 tournament for the 18th time;

1 (2) recognizes the significant achievements of
2 the players, coaches, students, alumni, and support
3 staff whose dedication and hard work helped the
4 University of California, Los Angeles, men’s basket-
5 ball team compete in the NCAA men’s basketball
6 tournament;

7 (3) congratulates the University of California
8 system for its commitment to academic excellence
9 and strong athletic tradition;

10 (4) commends the Pacific-10 athletic conference
11 for its dominating season where 8 of the 10 teams
12 in the conference had a winning season; and

13 (5) respectfully requests that the Clerk of the
14 House of Representatives to transmit enrolled copies
15 of this resolution to the following individuals for dis-
16 play—

17 (A) Gene Block, Chancellor of University
18 of California, Los Angeles;

19 (B) Scott Waugh, Acting Executive Vice
20 Chancellor and Provost of University of Cali-
21 fornia, Los Angeles;

22 (C) Daniel G. Guerrero, Athletics Director
23 of University of California, Los Angeles; and

- 1 (D) Ben Howland, Head Coach of the
- 2 men's basketball team.

